

REMARKS

In response to the Office Action dated March 23, 2006, Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration based on the following remarks. Applicant respectfully submits that the claims as presented are in condition for allowance.

Claims 1-12 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103 as allegedly unpatentable over Luzeski in view of Pannu. This rejection is traversed for the following reasons.

This application is a continuation of U.S. patent application serial number 09/238,445 filed January 28, 1999. The effective filing date for this application is January 28, 1999. Pannu was filed on July 30, 1999 and is not prior art to this application. Accordingly, claims 1-12 cannot be rejected based on Luzeski in view of Pannu.

In view of the foregoing remarks, Applicants submit that the above-identified application is now in condition for allowance. Early notification to this effect is respectfully requested.

If there are any charges with respect to this response or otherwise, please charge them to Deposit Account 06-1130.

Respectfully submitted,

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